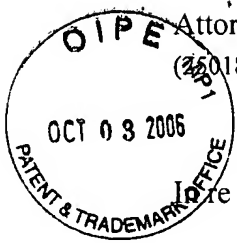


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified Application. Applicants are a small entity. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply. The fee for the Amendment has been calculated as shown below:

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	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra		Rate	Additional Fee	Rate	Additional Fee
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE					\$500			

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☒ **A check in the amount of \$500 is enclosed for the filing fee for extra claims.**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the \$500 filing fee associated with this Amendment, and the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0280. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

☒ Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for the presentation of extra Claims.

Respectfully submitted,

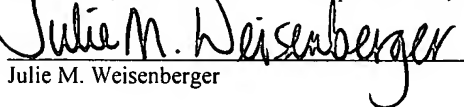
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 2, 2006**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

This is a Reply to the Office Action mailed August 2, 2006. The original period of response to the Office Action is a shortened statutory period of three (3) months from the mailing date, and this Reply is submitted within that time limit. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in the present Application in view of the Remarks below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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